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1. The 347 Seaplane Squadron, is located on Lake Siut Ghiol, Mamaia, Rumania. The squadron executes routine training and reconnaissance missions and is supposed to be used in the rescue of men in distress at sea, but the pilots always land on lakes and have never received any training for landing on the sea. Aircraft belonging to this squadron are also used to fly fishing agents and inspectors who attempt to locate large schools of fish for the state fishermen. 25X1
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2. The squadron is equipped with twelve Heinkel-111 aircraft of which only four are in condition to fly and a fifth is undergoing repairs. The personnel consists of 22 officers, second lieutenants to captains inclusive, 27 noncommissioned officers and 12 enlisted men. The unit is commanded by Captain Octavian Tofene. Major Lieutenant Iean Jekel is the political officer, Captain Ilie Ilinca chief of staff, and Major Lieutenant Nicolae Cercel personnel chief. 25X1
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3. The squadron is serviced by the 570 Airfields Service Battalion . The battalion is commanded by Captain Nichifer Boanta. Major Lieutenant Ioan Georgescu is the political officer and Captain Horatiu Palescu is chief of staff. This unit is made up of three platoons of 32 men each. For the past three months, part of this battalion has serviced the newly created bomber unit at Kogalniceanu (formerly Regele Ferdinand), 13 miles northwest of Constanta. 25X1
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